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TO THE MAYOR, ALDERMEN AND COUNCILLORS,

I have the honour to submit the Annual Report of the Medical Officer of Health for the year 1968. The report of the Senior Public Health Inspector is also incorporated and forms the second half of this document.

Once again I am very pleased to record the wholehearted co-operation of all members of the staff of the Health Department, and to express my appreciation of the way they carried out their duties during the period under review. I also wish to record my gratitude to the Chairman and members of the Public Health Committee for their continued support throughout the year. I would like to acknowledge the interest shown by Dr. C. D. L. Lycett, County Medical Officer of Health, and to thank the General Practitioners of the City of Salisbury for their very willing co-operation and assistance at all times.

I am,

Your obedient Servant,

Medical Officer of Health

July, 1969.



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Foreword

In preparing this report I have closely followed the method and general layout which I adopted last year. This arrangement seemed to enable the statistics to be easily understood, and to illustrate the trends which might have a possible bearing on the health and welfare of the community at large, or on certain special groups in that community. Consequently, the various sections, tables, etc., are directly comparable with those of last year so as to provide a continuing basis for observation.

The general health of the population of the city remained very good for the period under review, and there were no major outbreaks of infectious or other form of transmissible disease. There was, however, one outbreak of measles in the middle of the year but this did not assume major proportions, and as no emergency measures had to be instituted to counteract this or any other health hazard the report does not have to cover anything of this nature.

Such a report should have certain well defined objectives, the first of which is to give a factual account of the work of the department for the year 1968. This has to include statistics and other basic information required by the Ministry of Health and Social Services and used by them for compiling the national reports. However, a report of this nature should not, in my opinion, be limited to basic facts and figures alone, and so the next objective should be to highlight all those trends which are taking place in our community, and which may ultimately affect the health and welfare of many people. increase in the aged section of the population might require plans to be prepared for special increased numbers of suitable dwellings. This is just a simple example to illustrate the point. However, when statistics are considered it must never be forgotten that the graphs and tables used in preventive medicine and community care are based on the needs of individual men, women, and children. This being so let us remember that when we speak of community health it is the health of these individuals we are talking about, I am convinced that we must never lose sight of this elementary fact, so that when a reference is made to the aged or any other problem highlighted by statistical analysis we should try to picture the individuals concerned each with their particular needs and problems. By doing so we shall retain that personal touch which I consider so essential for doctors to possess, especially those who are dealing with communities and populations rather than individual patients.

Health Education is a third objective in writing an annual report, and this is a subject I consider to be extremely important. I feel it is my duty to keep emphasising major health hazards even at the risk of being accused of constant repetition. The public must be made aware of dangers, and it is only by giving them the widest possible publicity, by this constant repetition that people will be influenced to an extent that progress is likely to be made.

One obvious example is the danger of smoking cigarettes, a subject that is dealt with in detail in the appropriate section of the report. Unfortunately, it makes gloomy reading especially when it is realised that deaths from this cause are about seven times greater than those due to accidents on the roads. This is a fact about which everyone must surely be appalled, and so the message must be simple and straightforward, one that cannot be repeated too often in the face of a steadily rising tide of death and human suffering.

In the foregoing paragraphs I have outlined the scope of the report, and in the following pages will be found details of some of the problems that have to be faced, and suggestions for their relief, or an account of the steps that are being taken to deal with them. However, as they are closely bound with individual human beings the solutions are rarely simple and never easy. But this should not deter those who have the health and welfare of the community at heart.

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STATISTICS

General Statistics

Area in acres	 • • • •	• •		• •	3,640
Number of inhabited			• •		12,304
) 1964	• •	• •	• •	11,095
Rateable Value	• • • •				£1,828,782
The sum represented					£7,122

Under this heading it will be seen that there has been a further increase in the number of inhabited houses. Compared with last year the increase has been 200 whilst in the five year period 1st January, 1964 to the 31st December, 1968 it has been just over 1,000. This figure becomes more significant when it is realised that many unfit houses have been demolished and new modern houses and blocks of flats put in their place. Furthermore, many substandard houses have been improved to a reasonable standard so that there has been a raising of the quality and amenities provided in the older houses as well as an actual increase in new up-to-date accommodation.

This generally improved standard of housing certainly assists the work of the Health Department. Large clearance areas have no longer to be considered in the routine work of the department. Instead it is the problem of individual unfit houses, or advice in carrying out improvements to older properties that is important in the sphere of housing and accommodation. In spite of the increase in the total number of inhabited dwellings it will be seen that there has been no further increase in the total acreage of the city which has now remained constant for a number of years.

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VITAL STATISTICS

Registrar General's estimated mid-year Home Population for 1968

Registrar General's estimated	d mid-year Home	Population for 19	67 35,990
BIFTHS	<u>Total</u> 1968 : 1964	Male 1968 : 1964	Female 1000
Live - Legitimate Illegitimate All births	544 567 56 50 600 617	1968 : 1964 295	1968 : 1964 249 261 25 27 274 288
Total Birth Rate per 1,000 Total Birth Rate per 1,000 Area comparability factor Adjusted Birth Rate Illegitimate Live Births(per	population 1964	• • • • • •	
Stillbirths - Legitimate . Illegitimate	_	Male 2 -	Female 3
Stillbirth rate per 1,000 Total Live and Stillbirths		rths	8.0 605

VITAL STATISTICS (Contd.)

DEATHS

	Total	Male	Female
	554	281	273
Total Death Rate per 1,000 population Area comparability factor Adjusted Death Rate	•• ••	•• •• ••	• 15•3 0•65 9•9
Infant Deaths (deaths under one year of	f age)	•• ••	14
Infant Mortality Rates			
Total infant deaths per 1,000 total : Legitimate infant deaths per 1,000 le Illegitimate infant deaths per 1,000	egitimate li		23.3 23.8 0
Neo-natal Mortality Rate (deaths under total live births)	four weeks	per 1,000	10.9
Early Neo-natal Mortality Rate (deaths 1,000 total live births)	under one w	eek per	3.3
Peri-natal Mortality Rate (stillbirths combined per 1,000 total live and st		under one week	11.5
Maternal Mortality (including abortion		•• ••	0
Rate per 1,000 total live and stillbir	ths	•• ••	0

It will be noticed that the population of the City shows a further slight increase. It should be pointed out that these figures are estimates based on the middle of the year when the population is normally expected to be most stable. The figures are subject to a variety of errors as they are purely estimates so that we shall not know the actual population until after the next census. Nevertheless, looking at these estimates over a period of years they give a remarkable picture of a stable population, that has had non of the population explosions of so many other places. In the past twelve months the estimated increase has only been 330 indicating what very slight variations there have been. As a matter of fact the 1961 census gives the actual population of the city as 35,492 or only about a 1,000 less than it is today. This stability of population has been of great importance in planning housing development as it does enable enormous waiting lists to be avoided.

The Birth Rate

Year	Salisbury City	England and Wales
1964	17.23	18.5
1965	16.57	18.1
1966	16.69	17.7
1967	17.6	17.2
1968	16.2	_

In recent years there has been a great change in the attitude of most people in this country on the subject of family planning. This change, coupled with a very considerable increase in the use of oral contraceptives, could have an obvious affect on the birth rate and hence the total population in future years. It has been estimated that some 900,000 women are using oral contraceptives regularly at the present time, and the number is undoubtedly increasing. However, these observations are of most importance at national level and so further comment is outside the scope of this report.

The table shows the changes that have occurred in the City birth rate during the past five years. It also shows that the rate fell sharply during 1968 and is the lowest for some years. Whether this fall will prove significant or not is impossible to say as a similar occurrence took place in 1965 and 1963. As a result of these changes no particular trend or pattern is indicated by the present drop. None the less these figures are always of considerable importance.

During the same period the death rate rose slightly to 9.9. which indicates the extent of the natural increase - i.e. birth rate over death rate.

Stillbirths

Year	Male	Female	Total	Rate for Salisbury
1968	2	3	5	8.00
1967	7	6	13	20.00
1966	3	2	5	8.25
1965	6	3	9	14.95
1964	6	4	10	15.95
1963	3	8	11	17.42

This year the total fell very steeply from a rate of 17.42 to 8.00. This means that the relatively high figure last year was merely a variation due to the very small number involved. All the mothers of these infants had attended ante-natal clinics during their pregnancies. The five deaths were all legitimate and no illegitimate stillbirths occurred during the year. The table is an example of how misleading rates can be when dealing with very small numbers, and that under these circumstances a high figure such as that of last year has, by itself, no real significance.

The Illegitimate Rate

Last year I mentioned the concern that was being expressed throughout the country at the very high illegitimate live birth rate. This rate is the percentage of the total live births that are illegitimate, and though the baby may be born elsewhere the figures are corrected to give an accurate rate. The following table shows the figures for 1964-1968 compared with those of the previous decade, and in this way sets out the problem very clearly.

Year	Rate	Year	Rate
1954 1955	5•5 4•3	1964 1965	8 . 1
1956	4.4	1966	10.98
1957	4.9	1967	9•9
1958	6.0	1968	9.0

Illegitimacy is a subject of great importance as it creates such major social and welfare problems. Admittedly, it has always existed, but in the present decade it has assumed much more serious proportions than hitherto, and so it is essential that the extent of the problem is fully known and appreciated. Fortunately, in the case of Salisbury it has shown a slight reduction for the third year running. Unfortunately, this is much too short a period from which to draw any valid conclusions as it may only represent the trough of a wave and not a true downward fall. Nevertheless, it is certainly preferable to any further increase in the already very high figures. The fact that % of the babies in Salisbury during 1968 were illegitimate must give rise to serious thoughts on the part of teachers and youth leaders, and cause grave concern to parents - especially when compared with the figures of the previous decade.

To tackle the problem is not easy but it is something that must be done by all those who have the interests of young people at heart. Health Education and discussions on personal relationships organised at schools and youth clubs are part of the answer. Such a programme when carefully planned will provide the young people with the basic knowledge they require, and at senior level would include frank discussions on the tragedy of the unwanted child and the unmarried mother. But it seems to me that something further is required — something that only parents and a stable home background can provide. I refer to a sense of self discipline, and instilling them with those values of traditional morality which modern psychiatrists are now regarding as being more and more important in the development of a truly integrated personality.

CAUSES OF DEATH IN THE CITY OF SALISBURY, 1968

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Causes of Death (Cont'd.)

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CAUSE OF DEATH	Other diseases, genito-urinary system Diseases of Musculo-Skeletal system Congenital Anomalies Birth injury, difficult labour, etc. Symptoms and ill-defined conditions Motor Vehicle Accidents All other accidents Suicide and self-inflicted injuries	Total all causes

Causes of Death

The return of deaths prepared by the Registrar General clearly illustrates once again the main causes of death in the community, and the ages at which these causes are most likely to occur. The total number of deaths which occurred among the inhabitants of the City of Salisbury during 1968 was 554, an increase of 152 over the previous year. Only 127 of these deaths occurred under the age of 65 years, and 296 over the age of 75 years. These figures show very plainly the number of people who now live on into the seventh; eighth and ninth decades of life, and serve to highlight the point I made under the heading Housing for the Elderly.

The three main causes of death are cardio-vascular disease, cancer, and diseases of the respiratory system. The first of these was responsible for 292 deaths or more than half of the total, and 152 of these 292 were due to coronary heart disease. These figures demonstrate that this group of conditions is now the major cause of death. It is perhaps of interest to note that about two thirds of deaths from coronary heart disease occurred in people over the age of 75 years.

Cancer of the Lung:

This disease has, yet again, proved to be the most important of the malignant tumours as a cause of death. It was responsible for twice as many deaths as cancer of the breast, and twice as many also as cancer of the stomach.

Year	Car	ncer of the	lung	All forms of Cancer
rear	Male	Female	Total	Total Deaths
1968	19	3	22	96
1967	18	1	19	76
1966	18	4	22	84
1965	23	2	25	97
1964	. 17	2	19	82

Deaths from this type of cancer have been steadily increasing throughout the country, though there have not been any significant changes in its incidence in Salisbury in the past few years. Nevertheless, nearly all cases of lung cancer are directly attributable to cigarette smoking, and for this reason it must be looked upon as a disease that is almost entirely preventable.

Cancer of the Uterus:

Under the heading Cervical Cytology reference was made to the services that are available for women to have medical checks for this condition. It is a disease that has attained very wide publicity yet it was only responsible for eight deaths during the year. This was one quarter of all female deaths due to malignant tumours and so must be regarded as important but it is not the most important and this is a fact that tends to be overlooked.

Cancer of the Breast:

This is a disease which has not aroused much publicity in recent years, certainly nothing that can be compared to cancer of the cervix. Yet it is interesting to note that it has caused more deaths in Salisbury than has cancer of the uterus. Cancer of the breast is a very common form of malignant tumour, and the outlook is favourable when it is discovered early.

Year	Deaths from breast cancer	Deaths from Cancer of the Uterus
1968	11	8
1967	7	1

For this reason women should never be worried about consulting their doctors if they discover a lump in the breast. As a matter of fact the Cancer Information Service has published a leaflet explaining to women (with the aid of simple diagrams) how to examine their breasts. These leaflets are available free from the Public Health Department and from the City Library so that all who wish to do so may take one when they visit either of these two places.

Respiratory Diseases:

These conditions were responsible for 82 deaths during the year. This was an increase of 25 compared to 1967. The main increase was due to pneumonia over the age of 70 years. In this modern age it is interesting to see that there were only six deaths from these diseases under the age of 65 years, three of which were in infants under one year. When it is remembered that it is not many years ago since pneumonia was known as "The Young Persons' Enemy" the great advances in the treatment of this condition will be apparent.

Accidents

Compared to the causes already mentioned accidents caused the deaths of very few of the inhabitants of the City during 1968. Five were killed as a result of motor vehicle accidents and seven from all other forms of accidents. This does not mean that these causes should be ignored. All these are preventable and it is only by repeated warnings, lectures, and publicity that the numbers of casualties can be controlled. The committees who are responsible for this deserve the greatest credit for the work they do in this important field.

Notifiable Diseases other than Tuberculosis

Notified Cases	All	Under 1 year	1-5	6-15	16-25	26-45	46-65	66+	Age Un- known	Treated in hospital
Measles	181	4	125	48	-	1	_		3	_
Whooping Cough	4	2	3	_	-	-	_	-	-	-
Infective Hepatitis	3	_	_	1	_	_	_	1	-	_
Peurperal Sepsis	_	_	. -	1	_	_	<u>-</u>	-	-	-
Dysentery	_	_	1	_	_	_	_		-	_

It will be apparent from the above table that, apart from a moderate outbreak of measles in the middle of the year, there were very few cases of notifiable disease. The fact that only four cases of whooping cough were notified is, perhaps, the most interesting finding. Whether or not this represents a true picture of the incidence of the disease is difficult to say; children who are fully protected by preventive innoculations can have the condition so mildly that it may be easily missed by the parents.

A small number of cases of infective hepatitis occurred towards the end of the year, and a little outbreak occurred which extended into 1969. The cases referred to in the table ran a normal course with no untoward complications.

Food Poisoning

The following are particulars of cases of food poisoning during 1968:-

- (a) Total number of outbreaks 2
- (b) Total number of cases .. 12
- (c) Number of deaths O

The department often gets notice of suspected food poisoning and all such reports are fully investigated. During the year a total of twelve cases were confirmed and these occurred in two outbreaks. One of these involved a family of four and was due to a rare form of organism in this region - Salmonella enteritidis var. danysz. The symptoms were quite mild, but all cases were kept under observation until free from infection.

The second outbreak was due to the common organism Salmonella typhimurium and involved two families. In this outbreak there were a number of ramifications due to contacts with a number of families. However, all were checked and warned and the outbreak did not spread. All positive cases were kept under observation until quite free from infection.

Tuberculosis

T.B. Register 1968

Male -	Pulmonary:	83	Non-Pulm	onary:		16	T	otal:	99
Female -	Pulmonary:	61	Non-Pulm	onary:		- 15	T	otal:	76
Total number	of cases on	registe	r	• • •	•		9 0		175
Recovered an	d discharged	during	the year	Male:	9	Female:	12	Total:	21
Total number	of deaths du	uring th	e year	Male:	L	Female:	1	Total:	5
New cases ta	ken on regist	cer	• •	Male:	11	Female:	4	Total:	15
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from the p	oulmonary form	n of the	disease.		1	•			

One female case left the district.

T.B. Register 1967

Male -	Pulmonary:	92	Non-Pulm	onary:		14.	T	otal:	106
Female -	Pulmonary:	76	Non-Pulm	onary:		14	T	otal:	90
Total number	of cases on r	egiste	r		• •	o •	• •		196
Recovered an	d discharged d	during	the year	Male:	3	Female:	6	Total:	9
New cases ta	ken on regista	er	o o	Male:	3	Female:	4	Total:	: 7
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A study of the foregoing abstracts from the Tuberculosis Register shows that there has been a further reduction in the total number of cases on the Register. This reduction has occurred in spite of an increase in the number of new cases registered during the year. This is mainly due to the large number who were satisfactorily treated and discharged as cured. This steady reduction in the number of cases on the registers is in keeping with the general picture of the disease in this country. Mass Radiography is now only finding about 0.7 cases per 1,000 persons x-rayed which is an extremely low figure indeed. B.C.G. continues to be offered to all secondary school children in the city schools and is a very important part of the preventive campaign. Arrangements for this work are made by Dr. C. D. L. Lycett, County Medical Officer of Health, Wiltshire County Council, and sessions are usually well attended. The majority of new cases of pulmonary tuberculosis seen today no longer occur in the young age groups, but tend to be found in late middle life or in old age.

Young people are, of course, highly susceptible but vaccination acts effectively in reducing this susceptibility, while modern medical techniques and chemotherapeutic agents have revolutionised the treatment and prognosis of a disease that used to be a major cause of suffering and death.

Veneral Disease

New Cases Registered in Salisbury

Gonorr	hoea	Early	Syphilis	Late Syphilis			
Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female		
19	18	2	- -	2	•••		

Information concerning the veneral diseases is included in the report this year as it is a problem that is becoming serious throughout the country. It will be seen that thirty-seven new cases of Gonorrhoea were registered in the Salisbury Clinic during the year, and of these nineteen occurred in young people between 16 - 19 years of age. Syphilis is a much rarer disease and only a total of four cases were registered. Unfortunately, no female cases were seen, though it may be that they attended another clinic.

These figures do not refer to cases in Salisbury itself as patients who suffer from these diseases tend to visit clinics far away from their own towns. Nevertheless, the figures do indicate that a high proportion of the new cases of Gonorrhoea occur in very young age groups.

Immunisation and Vaccination

These are the responsibility of the Wiltshire County Council as the Local Health Authority, and Dr. C. D. L. Lycett, County Medical Officer of Health is responsible for making the appropriate administration arrangements to ensure that all children are immunised correctly and at the proper ages.

Immunisation against Poliomyelitis, Whooping Cough, Diphtheria, Tetanus and Measles is carried out at the Clinics, but vaccination against Smallpox is only performed by General Practitioners. Mothers can, therefore, receive all immunisations, except vaccination against smallpox, either at the Clinic or from their private doctor - whichever is the more convenient. Smallpox vaccination, on the other hand, can only be done by the private doctor with whom the baby or child is registered.

B.C.G. vaccination against Tuberculosis is offered to all children at Secondary Modern or Grammar School level.

The following tables give the details of immunisations and vaccinations carried out in the City of Salisbury and were provided through the courtesy of Dr. C. D. L. Lycett, County Medical Officer of Health and Principal School Medical Officer, Wiltshire County Council.

POLIOMYELITIS IMMUNISATION STATISTICS

AGE GROUP	2nd inj.	3rd inj.	4th inj.	3 oral doses	after	4th oral after 3 inj. or 3 oral
1968	_	_	_	. 228	. –	-
1967	; -	· -	~	261	_	82
1966		_	-	L _F	_	176
1965	· -	-	-	2	_	-
1964	_	-	-	3	_	7
1959 - 1963	-	_	-	40	_	252
1953 - 1958	_	-	-	-	-	7
Others under 16	-	-	-	1	. -	13
Others over 16	-	-	- .	6	_	37
TOTALS	-		_	555	_	574

IMMUNISATION AND SMALLPOX VACCINATION STATISTICS

Year of Birth		1968	1967	1966	1965	1964	1959-63	1953-58	Others under 16
Primary imms.	Diph.	219	230	3	3	1	19	2	_
completed	Wh/c.	215	218	1	3	_	_	_	-
during	Tet.	219	230	3	, 3	. 1	20	4	3
1968	Meas- les	6	39	. 85	84	74	327	93	
Reinf.injects.	Diph.		99	203	. 19	43	406	6	_
administered	Wh/c.) :	13	21	1	2	25		-
during 1968	Tet.	1	99	203	19	43	493	12	12

	Months					Years			
Age group	0-3	3-6	6-9	9 - 12	1	2-4	5-15		
Vaccinations	-	_	=	-	_	121	27		
· Re-vaccinations	1000	-	-	-	-	9	. 36		

Cervical Cytology

In recent years the subject of cervical cytology has aroused great interest and controversy throughout the country, and has now become recognised as an important routine screening procedure in the early diagnosis and prevention of cervical cancer. The subject has aroused such a wide general interest among women of all ages that I consider it desirable to include a detailed account in this report of the facilities available for having this examination in the City of New Sarum. By doing so I trust that all women and womens' organisations will be made fully aware of these facilities, and know where they can go to have the examination carried out. I would also like to emphasise that the procedure is very simple; quick, and is carried out with a minimum of discomfort.

As a matter of fact women in the City and its environs are really very fortunate in regard to the facilities that are open to them in respect of this examination, especially when these are compared to other parts of the country. At the present time there are three ways in which cervical cytological examinations can be obtained. Firstly, there are the Private Practitioners. The majority of practices within the City are prepared to carry out this examination for their female patients either on request; as a routine procedure, or when there is a definite indication that it should be done. Where such facilities cannot be carried out in the Practice by the Private Doctor patients are advised to attend the Cytology Clinic. The fact that so many doctors are doing these tests for their patients makes is relatively easy for a woman to have the examination performed without a lengthy period of waiting.

Secondly, there is the Salisbury Cytology Clinic to which reference has already been made. This Clinic is run by the Wiltshire County Council as the Local Health Authority, and its operation is a responsibility of the County Health Committee. Sessions are held on two afternoons per month at the Central Health Clinic, Avon Approach and it is, of course, a free service. Any woman married or single over the age of 18 years can make an appointment either by calling at, or telephoning the Central Health Clinic and there is no lengthy period of waiting. In fact she will only have to wait a few weeks at the most, and possibly a good deal less. This compares very favourably indeed with many parts of the country where the waiting time is very much longer.

Finally, there is the Salisbury Hospital Group. Though no special clinics are held specifically for this purpose in the various hospitals in the Salisbury area the examination is carried out as a routine procedure on all patients attending the Gynaecological and post natal clinics.

Cervical Cytology (Cont'd.)

The foregoing account indicates very clearly that the women of Salisbury and its surroundings have a very good service available for cervical cytology. The fact that there is no waiting list at the Salisbury Cytology Clinic shows that the present demand is being dealt with adequately. The Pathology Department is now handling about 8,000 tests per year though these come from a much wider area than Salisbury alone. Nevertheless, the facilities are not fully extended and it is hoped that many more women will take advantage of these services to have this test. But it is no use just to have it on the one occasion, and all women whether married or single, young and old should arrange for it to be repeated at regular intervals as advised either by their own or the clinic doctors.

Cigarette Smoking and Disease

In the whole of health education there is hardly a more important subject at the present time than the dangers of cigarette smoking. Once again a year has gone by in which there has been a further large increase in the number of deaths directly attributable to this cause in spite of the warnings that have been given. It is one of the greatest tragedies of the present time that if the habit of smoking cigarettes was given up completely deaths in Britain could be reduced by nearly a tenth. But so far the public has ignored the warnings so death and suffering continue to increase. The situation becomes even more tragic when it is remembered that it is those in the prime of middle life who are most affected. Men die at a time when they should be at their best, leaving widows and young families so that serious socio-economic factors must be added to that of bereavement.

In my opinion it is high time for parents and teachers to take a long hard look at themselves and the example they set to young people in the matter of cigarette smoking. As one who has spent a great deal of time on health education I have had to discuss the subject with many groups of school leavers. On numerous occasions I have been told of parents or teachers who are heavy smokers, and these children say it in such a way that they obviously intend to follow this example. Do parents really want to bring up their children to die of cancer of the lung or coronary heart disease in their forties, or do teachers ever stop and think that they are setting an example which may be followed by many of their pupils with the same result. Pipes and cigars offer a safe alternative for those who are unable to abandon the habit, and should help to set an example to the young people in their care.

The latest report from the Chief Medical Officer, Ministry of Health makes gloomy reading when dealing with this subject as the figures which he quotes illustrate the current trend only too clearly. Between 1966 and 1967 deaths from cancer of the lung increased by more than 1,200 to a total of 28,252 for the year 1967. The great majority of these were due to excessive cigarette smoking. But there are other diseases whose onset and incidence is directly affected by cigarette smoking. The most important of these is coronary heart disease, and men in the middle age groups are twice as likely to die from this disease if they smoke 20 cigarettes or more per day. The incidence of bronchitis is also directly affected by cigarette smoking, whilst this habit may also be an important factor in cancer of the bladder. The Chief Medical Officer stated that deaths which could be attributed to smoking cigarettes exceeded 50,000 per year. This figure is nearly seven times the number killed each year on our roads but it rarely receives anything like the publicity that is given to road deaths. But in addition to those who die there is an immeasurable amount of human suffering and illness not to mention the loss to the country of countless working hours.

Cigarette Sr. king and Disease (Cont'd.)

It is little use people thinking that cancer of the lung can be controlled by improved and more frequent mass miniature x-ray surveys. By the time lung cancer is demonstrable in this way it is usually too late. Similarly, once bronchitis has become established the changes in the tissues are largely irreversible. Nevertheless, if serious changes have not already occurred a persons' chances are greatly improved by giving up smoking cigarettes. If a man aged about 35 years of age smoking more than twenty cigarettes a day gives up and remains a non-smoker for 5 years the chances of developing lung cancer are reduced by twenty five per cent. This is a very great improvement and it is perfectly true to say that giving up smoking at any age reduces the changes of developing these conditions if they have not already started.

In conclusion it is the duty of all who are engaged in the field of Preventive Medicine to do their utmost to ensure that everyone realises the dangers in a packet of cigarettes. When I say realise the danger I do not mean in an impersonal or casual sort of way, but that they thoroughly understand the true dangers and the risks involved. More than this one cannot do, but if our young people do understand this much then I think we have taken a step in the right direction.

Housing for the Elderly

In my annual report for 1967 I dealt at some length with the problems facing the City of Salisbury as a result of the steady increase in the aged section of the inhabitants. The importance of the subject fully justifies a further reference to it again this year as it is a relevant factor in all planning operations for future housing schemes. At the present time rather more than 16% or approximately 1: 6 of the total population of the City are aged 65 years or more, a proportion that has been rising steadily and is above the national average. Such a high percentage is a very sobering thought, and one that all who are concerned with housing projects will have to bear constantly in mind. Figures from the Registrar General's Department indicate the nation wide extent of the problem and how it is steadily increasing. The latest tables show that the expectation of life for a boy at birth is now 68.7 years, and for a girl 74.9 years. Furthermore, 70% of all males born and 82% of all females can expect to reach the age of 65 years. These are all average figures governed by the conditions that existed in England and Wales during the years 1965/67, and maintain the upward trend. When it is remembered that they take into account all deaths from accident or disease from infancy onwards it will be obvious that very large numbers of people are now living well into their eighth and ninth decades. Nevertheless, these numbers will undoubtedly increase and the expectancy figures rise still higher as further advances in medical science take place.

It is much more economical for the country, and far more satisfactory for the elderly people themselves if they can continue to live in their own homes in the midst of the community rather than have to be admitted to geriatric residential units. There is no doubt that very large numbers of old people can look after themselves successfully and happily provided they have suitable housing, and some extra help. Some may require supervision, or home help, or have special items of equipment in the house, or a combination of some or all of these aids. In 1967 the City Council resolved to build one new group dwelling each year for five years and then review the subject again. This resolution is now being implemented, and the next to be built is in stage II of the Friary Development. These group dwellings are in the care of a warden, and are designed for those who can look after themselves but require some supervision. Where necessary some additional features such as handrails etc. can be provided to assist those who are partially incapacitated. In 1968 a further resolution was taken when the Council decided to allocate as many ground and first floor flats and flatlets as possible to elderly people. No actual numbers were quoted as it is necessary to allow flexibility in order to preserve a balance and true sense of proportion so as to meet the needs of all sections of the community. These actions illustrate that the City Council is well aware of the difficulties of housing for the elderly. They also show that such problems are being tackled early which should obviate the risk of being suddenly faced with a major crisis that is difficult or impossible to solve.

Housing for the Elderly (Cont'd.)

As a result of the housing provided and planned for elderly people by the City Council, together with the various almshouses and hospitals run by the Charitable foundations the problems of housing the elderly should remain within reasonable limits for the next few years. Nevertheless there can be no complacency or relaxation of effort if the problem is to be kept firmly under control.

Drugs in the Home

In these days when people use many more medicines and drugs than in the past quantities of these substances gradually collect in the home. Some of these may be actually in the category of dangerous drugs but all are potentially dangerous to young children. Many of the capsules and tablets are brightly coloured so that they can easily be mistaken for sweets. Every year accidents occur in homes due to children swallowing tablets or capsules which they discover in odd drawers or cupboards.

In an effort to reduce the risk of such happenings the Home Safety Committee of the City Council organised a collection of unwanted drugs. This was made possible by the wholehearted co-operation of the local branch of the Pharmaceutical Association. The object was to gather in all unwanted drugs, and at the same time to impress on householders the need to develop a sense of responsibility. Local chemists agreed to allow their premises to be used as collecting points, and to check the quantities and types of drugs received. Householders were asked through publicity in the press and by specially printed leaflets to collect all unwanted drugs and hand them in to their local chemists. By adopting this method it was considered that people would more readily develop a more responsible attitude towards drugs and medicines than if a complicated administrative organisation was set up to collect them from the houses.

A similar scheme had been tried the previous year which had proved quite successful and it was hoped that even larger quantities would be handed in on this occasion. The period chosen was 20th October - 2nd November, 1968 and the following table shows the results. The most interesting and by far the most important results was the handing in of more than 2,000 capsules of sleeping drugs, tranquillisers, etc. These capsules are invariably brightly coloured and could be very deadly to children. Many of the other tablets could also be quite dangerous, and so, judging by the nature of the drugs and the quantities handed in to the various chemists, the campaign was a considerable success.

All drugs handed in were destroyed.

Quantities of Capsules and Tablets received							
	1st week	2nd week					
1. D.D.A.	_						
2. Analgesics, Sedatives, Hypnotics	2,358	721					
3. Stimulants and Anti-obesity	69	19					

Drugs in the home (Contd.)

	Quantities of Capsules and Tablets received							
		1st week	2nd week					
4.	Antihistamine	163	128					
5.	Drugs acting on Alimentary System	107	250					
6.	Anti-infection	131	143					
- 7.	Drugs acting on Respiratory System	169	271					
8.	Cardio-vascular System	784	122					
9.	Nutritional	366	100					
10.	Urinary Tract	. 229	66					
11.	Endocrine	50	22					
12.	Unidentified	474	446					

Toilet facilities for the Disabled

In our modern society a very high proportion of the population now have their own cars, and each year the percentage becomes even higher. Consequently, the population has become very much more mobile so that families now take advantage of holidays and week ends to visit places of interest. Cities and towns have developed facilities to attract these visitors, including such essentials as car parks, public toilet blocks, etc. But at the present time almost all the toilet facilities which are provided by local authorities are only suitable for those who possess reasonably normal physical powers. Unfortunately, the proportion of those who suffer from severe physical handicaps is quite considerable and steadily increasing. Up to the present very little has been done to help those people by providing toilet facilities specially designed to meet their needs. As a result they are often unable to go out and enjoy touring in the cars of friends or relations, or to visit cities and towns of interest. These severely handicapped people are condemned to forego a great deal of pleasure that those who are not so afflected take for granted purely because of this lack of suitable toilets.

It is high time that steps were taken by local authorities throughout the country to consider the needs of these people, and it is with great pleasure that I report on the progressive attitude of Salisbury City Council in this matter. A specially designed toilet for disabled persons will be provided in the new shopping area in the Old George Mall. This is very central for shoppers and visitors, and should encourage people to take disabled friends and relatives into central Salisbury for little outings. Furthermore, there will be other specially designed units in the toilet blocks to be provided at the new car parks. These should prove very helpful for disabled visitors who wish to come and see our city as they will be able to come secure in the knowledge that careful thought and consideration has been given to their special needs.

Provision for the Care of the Sick and Elderly

Under Section 47 of the National Assistance Act, 1948 or the National Assistance (Amendment) Act, 1951, provision is made to permit the removal to hospital of sick and elderly people who are living under circumstances where they cannot properly look after themselves. To do so it is necessary to present the facts to a magistrate who grants the necessary authority. It is not a course of action that I like to follow as I have generally found simple persuasion and explanation will make these patients ameniable to temporary hospitalisation. During the year it was not necessary to take action under these Acts as the one difficult case agreed to enter hospital voluntarily.

Sewage Disposal

There are no public health problems to report under this heading as the large modern sewage works continues to operate efficiently.

Water Supplies

Water supplies for the City of Salisbury are controlled by the South Wilts Water Board. Water is obtained from deep wells in the chalk from which it is pumped to suitable storage reservoirs sited at strategic points. Samples of all water intended for human consumption are sent to the Public Health Laboratory at weekly intervals. These samples are taken before and after the addition of chlorine and copies of all reports are sent to your Medical Officer of Health. Throughout the year all samples were satisfactory and there were no outbreaks of any water borne infection.

Common Lodging Houses

There are at present no registered common lodging houses in the City.

REPORT OF THE SENIOR PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

General Hygiene

One thousand, three hundred and nine inspections of premises (*1,611) and 1,702 additional visits were made (1,797), including the following:-

224	inspections	of	dwellings
179	11	11	drainage systems,
83	11	11	restaurant kitchens,
28	11	17	butchers' shops,
16	*	兴	bakehouses,
27	I t	11	factories.

One hundred and twenty informal and 51 statutory notices were served and 132 informal and 44 statutory notices had been complied with at the end of the year, the latter including some outstanding from 1967. More inspections of dwellings, drainage systems, restaurant kitchens, shops and offices were made and twice as many informal notices were served as in 1967.

As previously reported, all plans received in the City Engineer's Department relating to the construction or re-planning of shops, warehouses, factories, cafes and other premises with which the Public Health Department is concerned are examined for compliance with the relative statutes administered by this Department, and some of this work is reflected in the items shown on pages 35 to 37.

Noise Abatement Act, 1960

Complaints involving factories on night work were dealt with by late night visits and meter recordings. In one case the matter was satisfactorily resolved but in the other investigations were still proceeding.

Rag Flock and Other Filling Materials Act, 1951

All the material used in the upholstery trade in the City still comes from sources where the British Standard Specifications are complied with, therefore no samples were submitted for examination, saving both time and expense.

Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act, 1963

One hundred and forty-two premises received a general inspection during the year, the total of registered premises now standing at 572, of which 379 have been inspected. An additional 301 visits were made to follow-up notices etc. 56 informal notices were served and 73 complied with, the latter including some outstanding from 1967.

Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act, 1963 (Cont'd.)

Six non-fatal accidents were reported, 4 due to falls, 1 to the use of machinery and 1 to the use of hand tools. In one case informal advice was given and in another a notice was served for the execution of works and subsequently complied with.

Offices Remedied After Inspection

Sanitary Conveniences Regulations	, 1964	:						
Compartments repaired Ventilation improved Compartments labelled	• •		• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	22 11 9
Washing Facilities Regulations, 19	964							
Running hot water provided Wash basins (with hot and col Washhand basins cleansed Soap and clean towels provide	ld wat	•	• •	• •		• •	• • •	19 2 2
Floors, passages and staircases: Handrails provided Floors repaired; coverings re Openings in floors fenced Stair treads renewed/repaired Open sides guarded	enewed ••• d	••	• •	• •	• • •	• •	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	19 35 4 8
Fencing of machinery: Machinery guarded Interlocks provided		• •	• •	• •	• •	• 6.	• •	16 1
Cleanliness: Rooms/staircases and landings Floors cleansed		nsed			••	• • • .	c o	27 1
Temperature: Thermometer provided on each Heating of rooms provided	floor	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	26 3
Ventilation: Improved	• •	• •	• •	• •	••	• •	••	18
Lighting: Satisfactory lighting provide	ed	••	• •	••	v 6	••	••	13
Overcrowding: Abated	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	••	0 •	4
Drinking water: Vessels provided Drinking water provided	• •	6 •	••	••	• •	• •	• •	1
First aid box provided	• •	••	• •	. •	• •		• •	30
Information for Employees Regulati Abstract posted after notice		1965: ••	• •		• •	• •	• •	31

PUBLIC HEALTH ADMINISTRATION

Work completed during the year 1968

11	OUBLING								
	Roofs repair	••	• •	• •	• •	. •	• •**	• •	10
	Gutters repaired or rene	wed	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	L
	Rainwater pipes repaired	or renewe	ed	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	L
	External walls repaired	-		• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	2
	Windows and door sill ren	newed	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	7
	Dampness abated:-								
	i. repairs to roof			• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	5
	ii. repairs to gutter			pipe	s	• •	• •	• •	
	iii. repairs to extern			• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	6
	iv. waterproofing of	internal	walls		• 6	• •	3 0	• •	6
	Wallplaster repaired	• • •		• •	•	• •	• •	• •	
	Ceiling plaster repaired		• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	7
	Windows repaired		• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	4
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	Doors renewed		• •	• •		• •	• •	9 9	1
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	Floors renewed		• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	2
	Stairs repaired	• • • •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	6 0	2
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	Bath reset		• •	• 4	• •	• •	• •	• •	1
	Water supply repaired		• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	2
	Obsolete chimney stack re	emoved	• •	• •	• •	• •	, •	• •	1
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	Water supply restored	• • • •	• •	• •	• •		• •	• •	2
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	Drains/sewers examined								90
	Drains/sewers cleansed	••	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	66
	Drains/sewers repaired or		ncted	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	25
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Prevention of Damage by Pes	US AC	U, 15	149						
Treatment for rats	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	
Harbourage cleared		• •	6 ♦ *●	• •	• •	• •	• •		
Factories and Workplaces									
Sanitary conveniences pro	vided	at E	Buildi	ng Si	tes	• •	• •	• • :	
Sanitary conveniences rep	aired	and	redec	orate	ed ,	• •	• •	• •	
Intervening ventilated sp	ace p	rovid	led	0 0	• •	• •	• •	6.	
Doors and fastenings prov	ided	to wa	iter c	loset	comp	artme	ents	• •	
Water-closets cleansed	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	
Notices affixed	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •		• •	• •	
Yard surface paved	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	. • • •	
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Floors repaired	• •	• •	• •		• •	• •	. • •	• •	
Ventilation improved	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	
Sinks provided/renewed	• •	• •	• •	• •		• •	• •	• •	
Wash-hand basin provided	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	
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Water closets redecorated		• •	• •	• •	• 0	• •	• •	• •	
Clean towels provided	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	
Hand washing materials pr	ovide	d	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •		
Hand washing notices prov				• •		• •	• •	• •	
First-aid boxes provided	or re-	-stoc	ked	• •	•	• •	• •	• •	
Overclothing provided	6 6	• •		• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	
Adequate storage faciliti			d	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	
Refuse bins provided	• •		• •	• •	• •		• •	• •	
Walls rendered	• •		• 6	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	
Windows repaired					• •	• •		• •	
Extra lighting installed	in Io	oa ro	oms	• •	• • '	• •	• •	. • •	
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First aid materials provi	ded	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	

HOUSING STATISTICS

SLUM CLEARANCE

HOUSES DEMOLISHED

Clearance Area No. 33

61-67 Culver Street 73-77 Culver Street

Clearance Area No. 41 (Part)

2-7 Friary Lane
5, 7, 11, 13, 15 The Friary
24-28 The Friary
32-50 The Friary
75-83 The Friary

Individual Unfit Houses Demolished

23-29 Lower Road, Bemerton

Demolition Orders determined

3 and 4 Eversglade

Individual Unfit Houses Closed

3 Lampard's Terrace, Exeter Street 13 Old Street 4 Blechyndens Almshouses 92 Brown Street 9 Guilder Lane 58 Windsor Street*

Parts of Dwelling Houses Closed

93 Fisherton Street

Closing Orders Determined

99 Exeter Street 58 Windsor Street*

*Closed but subsequently made fit

INSPECTIONS OF DWELLING HOUSES

Housing Act, 1936 and 1957

Unfit Properties	.e
Preliminary inspections	15 74
Housing Act, 1961 (Multiple Occupation Regulations)	
Inspections	15 16 2
Rent Act, 1957	
Interviews at office or premises	1
No applications for Certificates of Disrepair or cancellations such certificates were received during the year.	of
Public Health Acts, 1936 and 1961	221
Inspections Additional visits Preliminary notices served Complied Statutory notices served Complied Complied Complied Complied Complied	224 265 31 30 51 44
Housing Act, 1957 - Part IV - Overcrowding	
Number of new cases	1 4 4 16
Public Health Act, 1936, Sections 83-85	
Number of inspections in connection with verminous premises Number of additional visits entailed Number of new cases Number of verminous rooms sprayed Number of verminous rooms dusted with powder Number of verminous rooms gassed	22 · 24 2 12 5

PREMISES AND OCCUPATIONS WHICH ARE CONTROLLED BY BYE-LAWS AND REGULATIONS

The Liquid Egg (Pasteurisation) Regulations, 1963

There are no egg pasteurisation plants within the City.

The Market Place

Forty-five general inspections and 186 individual inspections of stalls were made with a view to observing the sale of unsound food and also compliance with the Food Handling Bye-laws and the Food Hygiene (Markets, Stalls and Delivery Vehicles) Regulations, 1966, four informal notices being served and complied with.

Offensive Trades

There is still only one such trade carried on within the City, viz. a marine store. The premises are regularly inspected and are generally kept clean, tidy and free from vermin.

Moveable Dwellings

Five inspections with two additional visits and two interviews were made of the one site and one additional visit to an individual van was made during the year.

Ice-cream

Twenty-nine samples of ice-cream were submitted for bacteriological examination and 25 were found to be satisfactory (grades 1 and 2),3 fairly satisfactory (grade 3) and 1 unsatisfactory (grade 4). This standard is set by the Public Health Laboratory Service, which suggests that over a period of six months 50% should fall into Grade 1,80% into Grades 1 and 2, not more than 20% in Grade 3 and none into Grade 4. The 1 unsatisfactory sample was associated with unsterile rinse water used with the servers and follow-up samples after advice had been given were satisfactory.

Grade	Premises				Vans			
	1	2	3	4	1	2	3 4	+
Hard Ice-cream Soft Ice-cream	17 -	8 -	3	1 -	1	-		-

Food Hygiene (General) Regulations, 1960

The number of food premises subject to the above named regulations is 262 (as shown) and all have wash-hand basins for personal use and sinks for the washing of utensils, crockery and equipment:-

- 73 Licensed Hotels and Public Houses
- 69 Groceries and provisions
- 34 Restaurant and snack bars
- 23 School kitchens
- 19 Butchers
- 14 Licensed clubs
- 9 Canteens
- 7 Fish and chip fryers
- 4 Bakers
- 3 Wet fish shops
- 3 Guest houses
- 2 Caterers
- 2 Wholesalers

A total of 267 inspections with 77 additional visits were made during the year, the following table showing the variety of such premises visited:-

Type of Premises	Inspections	Additional visits
Restaurant kitchens	83	20
Private school kitchens	1	2
County school kitchens	. • 8	3
Church hall kitchens	. 1	
Hostel kitchen	1	1
Nursing home kitchen	. 1	1
Snack bars	. 15	12
Social clubs		1
Licensed premises	17	4
Licensed premises, selling snacks	7	4
Ice-cream dealers	. 2	1
Butchers	. 28	-
	. 16	17
	3 6	-
Wet fish		
Grocers	42	2
Greengrocers	. 10	1
General stores	. 12	3
Sweet manufacturers	3	~
Flour confectioners	. 1	-
Sugar confectioners	5	17
	4	~
	. • 4	-
Wholesale food store	-	2
Notices served		2
Maddan and a sum Title Day and Library		1

Food and Drugs Act, 1955: Poultry Inspection

There are no poultry processing premises within the City.

Food Inspection

Details of the amount of food examined and voluntarily surrendered by wholesalers, shopkeepers, canteens, etc., as unfit for human consumption are shown below. The first item given (fresh meat condemned in the City) includes meat condemned at the abattoir for decomposition etc., (not as a result of routine meat inspection) and also meat condemned at butchers' shops in the City.

18,821 lbs. meat (8 tons, 7 cwt., 3 qtr., 3 st., 6 lbs.)

491 lbs. tinned meat

2,734 tins fruit, fish, soup, vegetables, milk etc.

30 lbs. apricot pulp

12 x 28 lbs. bags of sprouts

10 boxes of lettuce

14 lbs. fresh fish

109 packets of cheese

Several breakdowns of refrigerated display counters occurred during the year, resulting in the surrender of the following unsaleable articles of food:-

62 various rolls, gateaux, sponges etc.

45 chicken pies

30 meat pies

13 packets of sausage rolls

There were also 7 cwt. 1 qtr. 4 st. of various packed foods and approximately 20 gallons of frozen ice-cream, mousse etc.

The following complaints of unsound food being sold, effered for sale, or deposited with a view to sale, were reported to the Public Health Committee and column (4) indicates the action taken.

Article	How discovered or reported	Nature of complaint or other irregularity	Action authorised
Tin of garden peas	Complaint after sale	Containing a beetle	Warning letter indica- ting legal proceed- ings for a future offènce
Loaf of bread	Complaint after sale	Contaminated by mould growth	Warning letter indica- ting legal proceed- ings for a future offence
Apple pie	Complaint after sale	Sour	Warning letter indica- ting legal proceed- ings for a future offence

Other complaints, in which no official action was taken, included the sale of marmalade, canned tomatoes, gammon, corned beef, sweets, and coca cola.

Milk Sampling

There are 49 distributors of "Pasteurised" and "U.H.T." milk on the register, including 2 dairies, selling bottled milk only: 3 new Dealers' licences were issued during the year. The dairies (including a pasteurising plant) are visited regularly: 29 inspections and 298 visits for samples being made. Two hundred and twenty-four samples were submitted for cleanliness and pasteurising efficiency, with an additional 26 samples for pasteurising efficiency alone, plus 106 washed bottles, results being shown below.

Milk Samples

Number taken	Examination undertaken	Number satisfactory	Percentage satisfactory
224	Statutory test for "Pasteurised" milk	217	97%
26	Phosphatase test only for "Pasteurised" milk	26	100%
19	Statutory test for untreated milk	12	6 <i>3</i> %
106	Washed bottles submitted for bacterial cleanliness	99	93%
4	The presence of tubercle bacilli	4	100%
19	The presence of Brucella Abortus	19	100%

Two hundred and fifty milk samples (224 + 26: lines 1 and 2 in the table above) were submitted to the statutory test for pasteurised milk which comprises a phosphatase test (to check the efficiency of heat-treatment) and a methylene blue test (which indicated the cleanliness or keeping quality of the milk:) the latter test, however, cannot be applied during hot weather and in these circumstances the phosphatase test only is undertaken - vide line 2.

Three shops began selling Ultra High Treated milk during the year but two discontinued and reverted to ordinary milk.

Biological Milk Samples

All samples submitted for the presence of tuberculosis since 1952 have proved negative.

Cream Sampling

In November an informal sampling scheme of bottled and cartoned cream began with the ultimate object of fixing standards of cleanliness and at the end of the year 28 such samples had been submitted.

PREVENTION OF DAMAGE BY PESTS ACT, 1949

The Council retain the services of a private servicing company to carry out work on their behalf. They are engaged on an annual basis at a set fee for which they undertake to investigate all complaints received. Council-occupied property and private residential premises are treated under this inclusive fee but the servicing company are at liberty to make their own arrangements for contracts with business premises, including farms, schools, hospitals, etc. A token payment of seven shillings and sixpence is charged, by the Council, to occupiers of residential property for a complete treatment to erradicate rats or mice.

The sewage works and sewer treatments are excluded from the contract. This work is done by the City Engineer's staff under the supervision of a public health inspector.

The above arrangements have been in operation eighteen months and have proved satisfactory. It has the advantage of the constant availability of a trained operator who can work without supervision. This has eliminated the wastage experienced in recent years due to rodent operatives leaving on short notice and having to again train unskilled labour, only to find they resigned after a short period of employment.

Summary of work carried out

SURFACE INFESTATIONS

Total number	of	complaints received	203
Total number	of	properties inspected	460
Number found	to	be infested by Rats	155
		Mice	31

SEWERS

Total	number	of	manholes	in	foul	and	
con	rected	sys†	tems				1,453

10% Test baiting (June)

Number	of	manholes	test baited	1	166
Number	of	manholes	showing bait	taken	3

The Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949 (cont'd.)

Treatment of suspect areas (June)

Area	Α	(14 manholes)	No takes
do.	В	(14 manholes)	No takes
do.	C	(10 manholes)	Two had complete takes

Treatment of suspect areas (October)

Area C (12 manholes) No takes

It is interesting to note that the infested area was on a redevelopment housing site which was treated for surface infestation. This points the need to ensure that such sites are kept free from infestations and to recommend the sealing of the branch sewer and drains until such times as they are brought into use, to prevent entry of rats through the partially constructed system.

DISTRICT HEATING DUCTS

Treatment for rats, which was mentioned in last year's report, commenced in December, 1967, and continued until February to ensure complete erradication.

MEAT INSPECTION - 1968

Introduction

Four inspectors are employed full-time at the abattoir. Of the total number of animals slaughtered, approximately 30% are for local butchers, but this is subject to a wide seasonal variation and the term "local" as understood by the trade does not just cover the City but also the surrounding area as far afield as Frome, Yeovil, Warminster, Bath, Andover, Reading, Southampton, Blandford and Shaftesbury.

The hours which the public slaughterhouse is open (and therefore the hours during which slaughtering takes place) have not been specified by the City Council. They have, however, prohibited slaughtering on Sundays and on Bank Holidays, except for the Sunday prior to Christmas and on Good Friday if no slaughtering takes place on the following day.

Administration

The Corporations slaughtering contractor's are F.M.C. (Meat) Ltd., who have in their employment, in addition to their Manager, 3 buyers, 3 salesmen, 6 cutters, 26 ancillary workers (including 17 porters and checkers), 13 clerical and administrative workers, 2 stockmen, 17 slaughtermen, an engineer and assistant, canteen manageress and night watchman. Total 74.

Emergency Slaughter

The term "emergency slaughter" should only apply where immediate slaughter of a sick or injured animal is carried out in order to salvage the carcase. During and after the war the definition broadened and now includes animals which are suffering from some chronic or undefined illness and which are consigned alive by farmers to the abattoir as so-called "casualties". It is this last category in which a decision as to the fitness of the carcase for human consumption is so difficult to make, as, in the majority of instances, no precise history of the illness or description of the symptoms are available.

Admission of dead animals

The admission of dead animals and animals which have been killed and not bled to the abattoir is now prohibited. Undressed carcases which have been bled and dressed carcases are only permitted if they are accompanied by a certificate signed by a veterinary surgeon.

Animals sent in for emergency slaughter - the so-called "casualties" - if alive, need not be accompanied by such a certificate, but in view of the danger from anthrax, foot-and-mouth, etc. such a certificate is always desirable.

Admission of dead animals (Cont'd.)

Animals which arrive dead or die naturally after arrival are taken to a local knacker's yard and examined by a local veterinary surgeon; if suitable they are used for pet food.

Export Trade

Due to an amended book-keeping system, figures for this class of trade are not now available.

Number of animals slaughtered and inspected

The number of animals slaughtered and inspected during the year is shown below:

TABLE I

	, •
Cattle other than cows	14,617
Cows	3,830
Calves	2,004
Sheep	39,327
Pigs	64,843
Total	124,621

The total number of animals slaughtered shows an increase over last year of 7,896 - an increase in the number of cattle and pigs and a decrease in the number of calves and sheep.

As more work is involved in inspecting, or for that matter slaughtering, cattle than, for instance, sheep, it was necessary, for statistical purposes, to find some sort of standardised unit. The following, therefore, was adopted:— one cattle unit became equal to two pigs, three calves or five sheep. This unit figure for 1968 was 59,402, an increase of 5,567 over 1967, giving an average number of units per week of 1,142. (In 1958 the figure was 387).

Table II shows the number of animals slaughtered and inspected since the abattoir commenced operations in 1954.

Number of animals slaughtered within the City since the boundary extensions in 1954

Year		Number of animals	Number of "units"	Average number of "units" per week		
_1954	(9 mc	onths)		41,782 ^(a)	16,972	435
1955	• •	• •	• •	29,562	13,806	265
1956	• •	• •	• •	34,131	15,145	291
1957	• •	• •	• •	43,951	18,661	359
1958	• • .	• •	• •	47,820	20,140	387
1959	• •	• •	• •	71,504	26,622	512
1960	• •	• •	• •	87,583	35,617	685
1961	• •	• •	• •	87,293	37,938	730
1962	• •	• •	• •	93,853	40,972	788
1963	• •	. • •	• •	85,283	41,611	800
1964	• •	• •	• •	99,297	46,172	888
1965	• •	• •	.• •	116,033	53,790	1,034
1966	• •	• •	• •	114,663	51,782	996
1967	• •		• •	116,725	53,835	1,035
1968	••	• •	• •	124,621	59,402	1,142

(a) Including 2,624 animals inspected at the Stratford-sub-Castle Slaughterhouse

Result of post-mortem inspection

Nine hundred and twenty whole carcases were rejected as unfit for human consumption, an increase of 290 over 1967, which represents 0.74% of the total number of animals slaughtered. In addition, 64, 656 animals had some part rejected as unfit for human consumption. This means that some 51.9% of the animals slaughtered had some diseased condition or infestation present.

Table III shows the number of whole carcases rejected as unfit for human consumption and the reasons therefore: Table IV shows a similar comparison for part carcases and offal and Table V summarises the number of animals from which some part or organ was rejected.

TABLE III

WHOLE carcases rejected as unfit for human consumption

Diseases and conditions rendering animals unfit for food Cows Calves	Sheep	Pigs
Bacterial Diseases:		
Swine erysipelas	_	3
Generalised systemic infections:		
Fever - 4	3	5
Injury, acute septic 1 1 -	_	5 5
Mastitis, acute septic - 4 -	_	_
Multiple Abscesses - 1 1	3	96
Pericarditis, acute septic		14
Peritonitis, acute septic 3 3 - with septic pleurisy - 2 -	3	12
with septic pleurisy - 2 -	1	24
with septic pneumonia - 1 -	-	3
Pleurisy, acute septic - 1 -	5	29
with septic pneumonia	-	2
Pneumonia, acute septic 1 3 3	2	166
with necrotic tail	-	144
Polyarthritis - 3	-	91
Pyaemia 1 - 9	1	13
Septicaemia 1 1 12	2	2
Endocarditis, Acute Bacterial 1 1 -	-	2
Enteritis, Haemorrhagic	-	1
Bacterial Necrosis, Acute 1	-	-
Enteritis - 1	-	-
Parasitic conditions:		
C. Bovis, Generalised 1	-	-
Carried forward: 10 18 33	20	612

TABLE III (Cont'd.)

Diseases and conditions rendering animals unfit for food	Cattle other than Cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep	Pigs
Brought forward	10	18	33	20	612
Degenerative and other conditions:					
Anaemia		-	· -	1	1
Icterus	-	_	_	_	5 !
Oedema	-	8	2	20	7
with emaciation		11		59	4
with bruising	1	1	3	. 7	
with peritonitis	-	-			-
with arthritis	-	_	-	· -	2
Pyelonephritis	-	_	4	-	3
Uraemia		_	4	-)
Neoplasms:				•	,
Multiple	-	2	. 1	* ************************************	-
Other miscellaneous conditions:		· i	•		
Bruising, extensive	-	: 2	_	6	: 8
Emaciation, Pathological		2	_	5	5
Immaturity	-	-	4	1	_
Moribund	_	1	4	4	10
Odour, abnormal	1	<u> </u>	1	-	3
with extensive bruising	-	-	1	-	
with gangrene	-	-	-	-	1
Contaminated with pus	-	-	-	-	5
Colour, abnormal	-	-	-	-	7
Bruising, Oedema and inter-			ş	i i	
stitial myositis Osteomyelitis	_		- 1	<u> </u>	-
Bad Bleeding	_	_		1	2
Extensive Bruising, Oedema,	-			1	-
abnormal odour & septic inj.	-	: 1	-	2	
Bloodsplashing, extensive	-	-	-		2
Arthritis, oedema and abscesses	-	_		-	1
		•			1
Total:	12	47	54	125	682

 $\frac{\text{TABLE IV}}{\text{PART carcases and offals rejected}}$

Diseases and conditions rendering animals unfit for food	Cattle other than Cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep	Pigs
Bacterial diseases: Actinomycosis Johne's disease Tuberculosis	74 2 -	16 1 -	-	- - -	· 74 - 951
Abscesses Arthritis Bites "Black Beef" Bruising Cirrhosis Cysts Emphysema Erythema/Rash Fat Necrosis Fatty Change Fibrosis/Callous/Scar Fractures/Dislocations Hydro Nephrosis Mastitis Metaplasia Necrosis Nephritis Oedema Pleurisy, Pericarditis and peritonitis	1,147 8 - 12 571 20 9 13 - 19 25 7 9 11 - 17 13 4,390	264 20 - 34 409 10 - 39 - 6 35 - 5 384 68 1,243	85021717253 807	72 34 - 54 11 - 25 35 10 - 23 22 184 3	596 745 24 387 15 427 15 74 90 756 26 16 92 14 8,073
Pneumonia Rupture Telangiectasis Ulceration	237 1 44 -	45 - 557 -	27 - - -	2,136 - - - -	11,038 60 - 1

TABLE IV (Cont'd.)

Diseases and conditions rendering animals unfit for food	Cattle other than Cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep	Pigs
Parasitic Infestations: Ascariasis Cysticercus Bovis Cysticercus Ovis Fascioliasis Hydatidosis Linguatula Liver Parasites Lung Parasites	91 - 3,526 64 37 200 205	22 1,184 84 16 53 98	1	9 957 80 4,164 4,271	
Neoplasms Miscellaneous Miscellaneous	1	7	1	-	- try make
Aspiration Abnormal Odour Bile Staining Blood Splashing Contamination Haemorrhage Laccration Melanosis Congestion Injuries Atelectasis Calcification	144 18 2 46 872 1 - 28 - 1	90 4 16 301 6 - 5 2.	7 4 2 - 27 1 - 3 2	5 -6 10 1,218 - 10	15,492 1 166 56 279 7 16 6 30 12

TABLE V
Summary of CARCASES AND OFFAL Rejected

	Cattle other than Cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep	Pigs	Total
DISEASES AND CONDITIONS OTHER THAN TUBERCULOSIS AND CYSTICERCUS BOVIS		•				
Whole carcases unfit	11	47	54	125	682	919
Carcases of which some part or organ was unfit	8,894	2,973	146	12,752	38 , 869	63,594
Percentage of the number inspected affected with diseases and conditions other than tuberculosis and cysticercus bovis	60.9%	78.8%	9.9%	32.7%	61.0%	51.76%
TUBERCULOSIS ONLY Whole carcases unfit Carcases of which some part or organ was unfit Percentage of the number	-	-	-	1	- 951	- 951
inspected affected with tuberculosis	_	_	_	-	1.47%	0.76%
CVCTTCEDCIIC POVIC ONIV						
CYSTICERCUS BOVIS ONLY Carcases of which some part or organ was unfit	89	22	-	_	_	111
Carcases submitted to treatment by refrigeration	89	22	_	-	_	111
Generalised	1	_	-	-	-	1

Tuberculosis

Five hundred and ninety one pigs were found to be affected with tuberculosis, (the majority only affected in the head), the increased percentage of cases matching the increased throughput.

Cysticercosis

Cysticercosis covers tape worms found in man, the cystic stages of which are found in cattle and pigs respectively; and two tape worms found in dogs, the cystic stages of which are found in sheep: (this is the principal reason for not allowing dogs to enter a slaughterhouse). The latter two tape worms are not transmissible to man.

M12; cases of Cysticercus bovis were found; as the cyst is easily destroyed by freezing all affected carcases were transferred either to cold storage in Salisbury or Southampton and kept there for twenty-one days at a temperature not exceeding 20°F.

The percentage incidence of the total number of cattle slaughtered and affected with Cysticercus bovis was 0.05%.

Disposal of meat and offal rejected as unfit for human consumption

As no means of sterilisation is provided at the abattoir, all meat and offal rejected as unfit for human consumption is taken in large containers to the by-products factory of F.M.C. (Meat) Ltd., at Calne, Wiltshire, except for a small amount of livers taken by Dinnodog Products Ltd., Tisbury.

One hundred and eighty-nine tons, seventeen hundredweight and eight pounds were so rejected as Table VI shows. This shows an increase of 41 tons over 1967.

TABLE VI
Weight in lb. of meat and offal rejected for human consumption

-	Meat	Offal	Total
Tuberculosis Other diseases	10,151 139,336	- 275 , 785	10,151 315,121
Total	149,487	275,785	425,272

On no occasion during the year was it necessary to seize any meat under Section 9 of the Food and Drugs Act, 1955.

Conclusion

As stated in my last report, the throughput continued to increase annually and plans for further extensions to the abattoir are now being considered.

ANNEX

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH IN RESPECT OF THE YEAR 1968 FOR THE CITY OF SALISBURY IN THE COUNTY OF WILTSHIRE

Prescribed Particulars on the Administration of the Factories Act, 1961

PART I OF THE ACT

1 - INSPECTIONS for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors)

						
	Number	Number of				
Premises	on Register	Inspections	Written	Occupiers		
(1)	(2)	(3)	Notices (4)	Prosecuted (5)		
()	(~)	(2)	(47	(2)		
(i) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be			,			
enforced by Local Authorities	16	2		-		
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the						
Local Authority	174	23	3	-		
(iii) Other premises in which Section 7						
is enforced by the Local Authority						
(excluding out- workers! premises)	101	5	1	-		
Total:	291	30	4	_		

2 - Cases in which DEFECTS were found

Particulars]	Number of cases in				
Par cicutars			Referred to H.M. by H.M. Inspector Inspector			
(1)	(2)		(4)	(5)	(6)	
Want of cleanliness (S.1)	_	_	-		-	
Overcrowding (S.2)	_		_		_	
Unreasonable temperature (S.3)		-	: : :	-		
Inadequate ventilation (S.4)		-	_	_	_	
Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6)		_		-		
Sanitary conveniences (S.7) (a) Insufficient	1	1				
(b) Unsuitable or defective	3	3	· ·	2		
(c) Not separate for sexes	-	-	<u>-</u>	-	_	
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to outwork)		_				
TOTAL:	4	4	-	2		

PART VIII OF THE ACT

Outwork

(Sections 133 and 134)

	Se	Section 134				
Nature of work	No. of outworkers in August list required by Section 133 (i)(c) (2)	No. of cases of default in sending lists to the Council (3)	No. of prosecutions for failure to supply lists	No. of instances of work in unwhole-some premises	Notices served (6)	Prose- cutions
Wearing apparel:						
Making, etc. cleaning & washing	3				_	-
Furniture & upholstery		-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL:	3		-	-	-	-

(Signed) F. R. Hollins
Medical Officer of Health

July, 1969





